



Town of Discovery Bay
A California Community Services District
"Friday Letter"
To the Board of Directors
JULY 18, 2014

From: Rick Howard, General Manager

General Manager/Administration:

- ✓ The state of California's Water Resources Control Board spent 9 hours in session this past Tuesday and developed a far reaching set of regulations aimed at strengthening the state's ability to manage water in severe drought conditions. These new regulations affect every Californian and every domestic water district, including the Town of Discovery Bay.

In an effort to comply with the August 1st implementation date, I have directed staff to begin the process of ramping down landscape irrigation to twice weekly. It will take time to make changes to all of the stations and time clocks. Obviously, this will result in under watering of many of our facilities with resulting consequences.

One victim to the new measures is the Ravenswood Splash Pad. The splash pad will be shuttered effective August 1st. The splash pad does not have re-circulating water, and uses potable water for its friendly splash fountains. We will notify Ravenswood residents of the closure and post signs at the splash pad explaining the reason for its closure.

We are in the process of updating our "door hangers" that we leave with residents when we come across suspected over watering or possible water leaks. We should have the new hangers within the next couple of weeks.

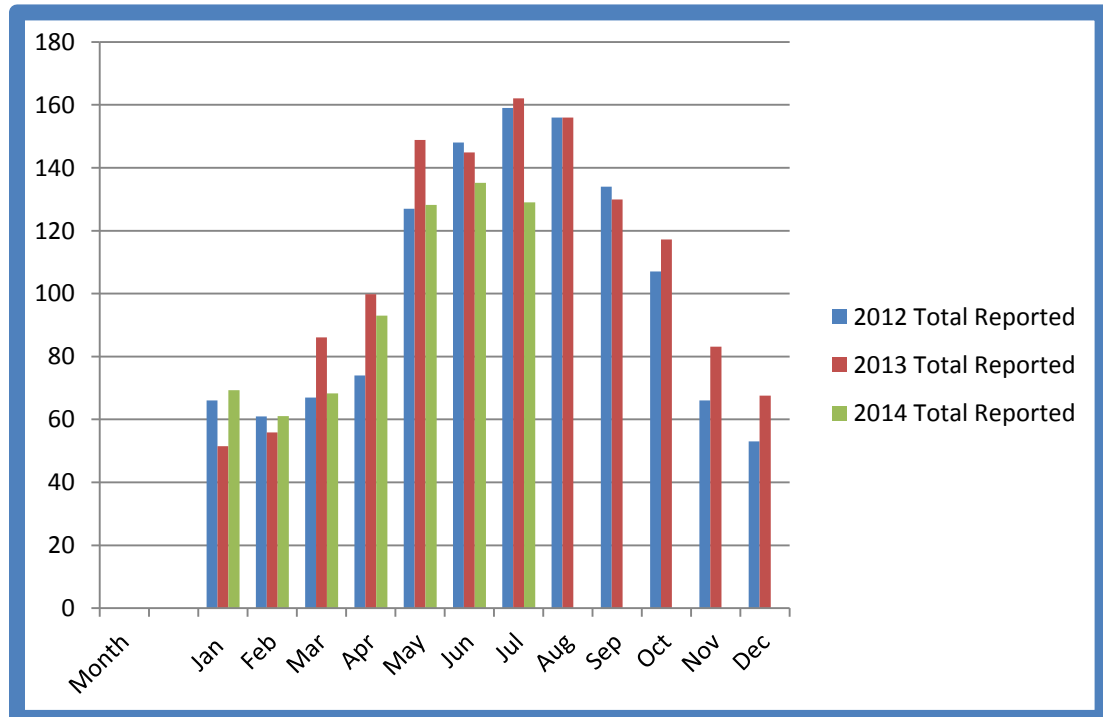
Also, the Town's website will be populated with information on the new regulations as well as ways conserve water. There will also be a link to the www.saveourh2o.org website.

A press release will be going out next week to the local press to help notify Discovery Bay residents of the new emergency changes and how the new regulations will affect them.

Next week, a letter will go out to the development community notifying them of the new restrictions and how it may impact new homebuyers. Specifically, installation of new landscaping and sod will be severely impacted.

While failure to comply is up to \$500 per day for residents, failure of the TODB to not enforce these regulations can be up to \$10,000 per day.

- ✓ As I noted under separate cover, water consumption in Discovery Bay for the month to month and year to year comparison has dropped. The chart below shows consumption in millions of gallons/month:



- ✓ Congratulations to Virgil as he celebrates his 14th anniversary with the Town next week! Virgil deserves a lot of credit for helping the District to get off its feet. Congrats Virgil!

Parks, Landscape and Recreation Services

- ✓ Stop on by tonight at the Community Center as we show “*Despicable Me 2*”. It will be a great evening and fun for the entire family. Stop on by and watch Gru and the Minions save the day! If you haven’t seen it yet, it is really a fun movie. I give it 5 STARS!



Water and Wastewater Services

- ✓ Construction started back up this week on Well 7. The project will take a couple of months to complete and to bring the well online. This is the final part of the project.

Important Dates

Upcoming important dates are as follows:

- CSD Regular Board Meeting – August 6, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.
- Discovery Bay Lion's Club Concert – August 25 at 5:00 p.m. – Yacht Harbor